

Bubble Sort

Introduction

Bubble sort is a simple sorting algorithm that repeatedly steps through the list, compares adjacent elements and swaps them if they are in the wrong order. The pass through the list is repeated until the list is sorted. The algorithm, which is a comparison sort, is named for the way smaller or larger elements "bubble" to the top of the list ^[4].

Performance

In general, the performance of the sorting algorithm is analyzed from two aspects, time complexity and space complexity. Time complexity represents the time taken to execute the algorithm, which is generally considered in three cases: best case, worst case, and average case ^[6]. Space complexity represents the amount of memory required to complete a program ^[5].

Use **array** as data structure and **n** denotes the input array size, bubble sort performance is as follows ^[4]:

Worst-case time complexity	$O(n^2)$
Average time complexity	$O(n^2)$
Best-case time complexity	$O(n)$
Worst-case space complexity	$O(1)$

Pseudocode ^[3]

Algorithm: BubbleSort(Arr)

Input: an array of integers Arr

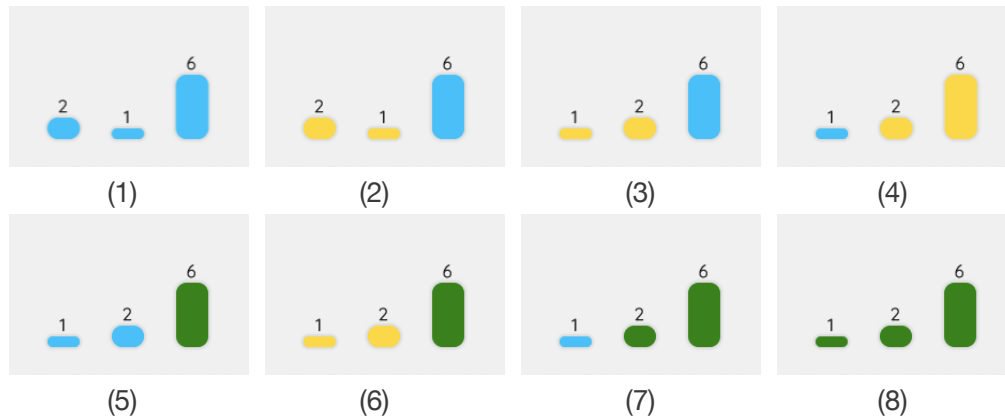
Output: The result of sorting Arr

```
length = Arr.length
for i from 0 to length-1 do
    for j from 0 to length-1-i do
        if Arr[j] > Arr[j+1] then
            swap(Arr[j], Arr[j+1])
        end if
    end for
end for

return Arr
```

Example

Sorting the list: 2,1,6



Implement in programming language

Java^[1]

```
public void bubbleSort(int arr[])
{
    int n = arr.length;
    for (int i = 0; i < n-1; i++)
        for (int j = 0; j < n-i-1; j++)
            if (arr[j] > arr[j+1])
            {
                int temp = arr[j];
                arr[j] = arr[j+1];
                arr[j+1] = temp;
            }
}
```

JavaScript^[2]

```
function bubbleSort(arr) {
    var len = arr.length;
    for (var i = 0; i < len - 1; i++) {
        for (var j = 0; j < len - 1 - i; j++) {
            if (arr[j] > arr[j+1]) {
                var temp = arr[j+1];
                arr[j+1] = arr[j];
                arr[j] = temp;
            }
        }
    }
    return arr;
}
```

C^[2]

```
#include <stdio.h>

void bubble_sort(int arr[], int len) {
    int i, j, temp;
    for (i = 0; i < len - 1; i++)
        for (j = 0; j < len - 1 - i; j++)
            if (arr[j] > arr[j + 1])
            {
                temp = arr[j];
                arr[j] = arr[j + 1];
                arr[j + 1] = temp;
            }
}
```

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